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MARRIAGE.
On the 18th December, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. C. J. F. Symonds, B.A., WILLIAM WATSON CLIFFORD, to ALICE THOMAS GILLING, youngest daughter of the late THOMAS MILBURN COOPER, B.A. of Herts, England.

DEATHS.
On the 13th December, at sea, between Singapore and Colombo, FORBES SELBY, master of S.S. Glenisiel.
On the 13th December, at Bremen, F. HUENTING, aged 55 years.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 14, DES VUEX ROAD CL.

LONDON OFFICE: 181, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 24th DECEMBER, 1903

Hongkong residents, who between them subscribed nearly \$50,000 to a fund started in the Colony under the name of the Kwangsi Famine Fund, have been under the impression that their pecuniary assistance, backed up by the actual work of distribution, etc., carried on by certain gentlemen connected with Hongkong and by some zealous missionary volunteers in the Kwang provinces, did a great deal to save lives and mitigate hardships in the famine districts. We must confess to having shared in this belief, convinced by the impartial statements of missionaries, both of British and of American nationalities. We were not a little astonished therefore to see in the pages of a New York religious weekly, the *Christian Herald*, various descriptions of how "our relief" was welcomed in Kwangsi. Now the New York paper, it is true, very humanely promoted a fund, to which its readers contributed most generously, to the extent of not less than \$40,000 gold, for the relief of the famine-stricken in Kwangsi. For this splendid exhibition of charity the *Herald* and its readers were deservedly thanked by the Chinese officials in most unobscured terms. Hongkong too can heartily admire the open-handedness of a com-

sense of suffering than we are, which can so freely give from its wealth to relieve distress which has touched ourselves so deeply. Nevertheless, we cannot see that it is just that the efforts of Hongkong, which, though a comparatively small place, gave at least half as much as the charitable New Yorkers, should be ignored or, worse still, appropriated to swell the feelings of satisfaction of the *Christian Herald* readers at the success of their efforts. To show what we mean, we will give examples. Throughout in the reports sent from Canton to the *Herald* Hongkong's share in the relief is passed over, generally without even a mention, and the Hongkong workers are classed as part of the American. There is in the *Herald* of the 23rd September last, a photograph of a group of "American relief workers at the gate of a temple"; these are six British subjects and two Americans! More striking still, in the *Herald* of the 22nd July appears a letter under the heading of "the relief work described," in which a letter of the Rev. H. K. SHUMAKER is quoted with reference to the work done at Kwai Un. At Kwai Un the rice used was all Hongkong rice, and we do not believe that Mr. SHUMAKER ever intended to give any other impression. He mentions indeed his journeying in company with Mr. FLETCHER, of the Hongkong Government service. Yet this letter is calmly quoted as a testimony to the American relief work. The whole tenor of the accounts in the *Herald* is that the help given by the New York journal, under the direction of the Hon. ROBERT M. McWADE, U.S. Consul-General at Canton, stopped the Kwangsi famine, the other assistance given being negligible. We appeal to the sense of justice of those Americans who shared in the relief work to say whether this is so, and we have no doubt as to their answer. We cannot blame the *Christian Herald* for the garbled accounts of the charitable operations which appeared in its columns. Those reports were sent to our New York contemporary from Canton, had the hand that sent them is plain. In all the accounts there is one name which appears innumerable times; it is that of the Hon. ROBERT M. McWADE, U.S. Consul-General at Canton. After reading the Hon. ROBERT M. McWADE's version of how the Kwangsi famine was relieved, we gather that the main agent in it was the Hon. ROBERT M. McWADE. We therefore challenge the Hon. ROBERT M. McWADE to justify what he has written. The verdict may rest with the general body, irrespective of nationality, of those who laboured so hard and so uselessly to aid the starving Kwangsi population in their distress, without any thoughts of advertising their country or themselves. We are convinced, too, that the *Christian Herald* never intended its readers' generosity to be exploited in the way in which it has been. Advertisement of this kind sullies the name of charity, and must be distasteful to every right-minded man, in whatever part of the world he lives. But of course there may be some explanation forthcoming from the Hon. ROBERT M. McWADE. That is a matter which must be left to the honourable gentleman himself.

Lia Nik was fined, at the Magistracy yesterday, \$25 for carrying dynamite without the same being marked and noted as dangerous.

The Supreme Court vacation begins to-day and will extend till the 2nd January. The ordinary Friday sittings of the Summary Court will take place to-day and on the 31st inst. during the vacation.

For disobeying the order of the police to "move on," and loitering in Queen's Road, Lam Tai, a hawker, was fined \$4. A few more such actions and Queen's Road might be made a respectable thoroughfare, and one worthy of this city.

As a supplement to the usual issue, our contemporary, the *Hongkong Telegraph*, publishes a very presentable illustration of the new Victoria Law Courts, now under course of construction, from a photo by Mr. C. W. Clark.

H.M.S. *Centurion* should probably arrive in Hongkong about New Year's Day. Her return to the China station is very welcome, and it is to be hoped that she is but the precursor of other additions to the now much outnumbered British squadron.

Colonel "Fashoda" Marchand's friends are accusing the French Government of plotting to send him to an unhealthy part of Africa. We mentioned the other day that Colonel Marchand (who was out here in 1900) was, after his trouble with some troops at Marseilles, going on Colonial Service again.

The great and increasing burden of London's municipal debt is shown by the annual report of the London County Council, issued on the 17th ult. On March 31, 1902, it had reached the enormous total of \$54,257,005—an increase of \$2,346,976 over the debt in 1901. The rateable value of London was \$39,769,471, so that the debt was equal to 136 years' purchase of its

The polo match yesterday between the Scottish and Irish teams ended in an unexpected victory for the Scots by 4 goals and 3 subsidiaries to 4 subsidiaries. An account of the game will appear in our next issue.

Tr. H. N. Allen, U. S. Minister, on his return to Seoul, is said to have presented to the Emperor of Corea an official document saying that His Majesty's promise to open Yongsampo had been welcomed by the American nation, and that it was hoped that so soon as the Chinese Government opened Antung, Corea would open Wiju also.

The biggest real estate transfer of the year in Manila has been culminated by the brokerage firm of Look and Davis, says the *Manila Cable*. Twenty five thousand, eight hundred and twenty one square metres of land situated opposite to the site of George Wolfe's new hotel on Calle Norzola, have been purchased by the firm at the cost of nearly \$100,000 Mexican from the Morelos estate.

The fact that rats play an important part in the spread of disease, more especially the plague, has induced the port sanitary authority on the Thames to attempt the extermination of rats in the docks, warehouses, and on board vessels lying in the docks. During the last month nearly 6,000 rats have been destroyed, and their bodies burned in ships' furnaces. From the beginning of the year to the end of September nearly 60,000 were killed. The total for last year reached 135,932, and the number destroyed up to last month was 239,718.

Government officials at Vancouver, the *Kobe Chronicle* reports, have been put on the qui vive by learning that great numbers of Chinese "merchants" are manufactured in all parts of the province. After investigation the authorities ascertained that the Celestials had good reason for their tactics, for as a merchant Chinese can go to China on practically unrestricted terms, and he may return with his wife, who could then enter free of the \$500 poll tax which will, on January 1st next, be demanded from Chinese entering the country for the first time.

Owing to the more determined stand taken by the Chinese Government in regard to the Manchurian question, says a Peking despatch quoted in the *N. C. Daily News*, the Russians of Moulken have resumed their high-handed manner of dealing with the Chinese officials there, which a short time ago had been much relaxed. The Tartar General Teling Chai, it is now reported, is again circumscribed as to his liberty of action and has been refused again the use of the telegraph. In consequence of this the Peking Government was not able for two days to hear from Teling Chai, although he was repeatedly asked to telegraph.

In view of the present war scare it is of interest to note that the new Japanese Infantry weapon, the Arisaka rifle, is very similar to the Mauser rifle. The reduction of the bore—the rifle's calibre is only 6.5 mm.—has admitted of a reduction of the weight of the weapon, without the loss of the short stature of the Japanese, in a decided improvement. Including the bayonet, the blade of which is 55 centimetres long, the rifle weighs 4.95 kilograms, and is 1,606 metres long. The bore has a velocity of 720 metres. The bore has six riflings, and the weapon is sighted from 400 to 2,000 metres.

The *Kobe Chronicle* writes that in the latter half of this year the trade of Japan has continued in favour of exports, the excess of imports over exports having decreased to 25,210,000 yen from 44,000,000 yen in August last. Specie has begun to flow out of the country of late, notwithstanding that while the excess of imports over exports at one time exceeded 20,000,000 yen it has now fallen to 11,520,000 yen. The amount of specie in reserve at the Bank of Japan, which continued to stand at 116,000,000 yen until the beginning of last month, has now decreased by some 4,000,000 yen to a condition of things which may be due to the large excess of imports over exports during the first half of the year, and to the fact that the money realised by the sale of Government bonds in London has now all been drawn. If the increase of exports over imports in the country's trade be continued, it is thought the exodus of specie will probably cease before long.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music at the King Edward Hotel during dinner to-night (Christmas Eve) instead of Friday as usual:—
March..... "The Washington Post"
Lancers..... "A Country Girl"
Selection "Reminiscences of Scotland"
Song..... "The Flight of Ages"
Song..... "The Gaiety"
Selection "The Blue Danube"
Waltz..... "Elvina's Dance"
March..... "God Save the King"

Menu:
Hors d'Oeuvres
Caviar on Toast
Sole
Turbot
Boiled Fish Anchovy Sauce
ENTREES
Roast Sturgeon and Watercress
Chicken in Apple
Grilled Fillet of Beef and Chipped Potatoes.
JOINTS
Roast Saddle of Mutton
Roast Turkey
Yorkshire Ham
Pudding
SALAD
Scotch
VEGETABLES
Boiled Potatoes
Cabbage
Mashed Potatoes
Green Peas
Plum Pudding
Sponge Cakes with Lemon Cream
Pear Pie
Orange Jelly.

Latest advice to the Manila *Cablenews* state that Senator Mark Hanna will be the favourite for the Presidential Election in 1904!

As we are not so anxious to test the law of libel as an almost illegible correspondent appears to think we should be, we cannot publish his letter.

On the 1st day of the December race meeting at Bangkok on the 8th inst. the King's Gold Cup was won rather easily by Mr. W. A. G. Tilleke's *Datsakorn*, Mr. Kassoji's *Wong Wai* being second, and the Siamese Crown Prince's *Othair* third. The totalisator yielded 6 times. H. M. the King was an interested spectator of the race. All seven races in the first day were won by the same stable, Mr. W. A. G. Tilleke securing 6, and Mr. R. H. Gibbins one.

In commenting upon "The Danger in the Far East," the *Star* says with regard to the second occupation of Moulken by Russian troops:—"The act of occupying the Manchurian capital refers not so much to China as it does to the United States. The latter have chosen Moulken as the supporting base for the American troops which have been selected to protect the treaty between the United States and China, which treaty opens to international trade two Manchurian towns, Moulken and the port of Antung; Moulken lies on the Lao-he, the great waterway, which runs into the sea near Newchwang. The *Star* remarks that nothing is known of the methods used by the United States to compel China to conclude a treaty which is opposed to the treaty relations existing between Russia and China. The article referred to ends thus:—"The reason why the United States have increased so demonstratively their Naval forces on the coastlines of the Far East now becomes apparent. But this second occupation of Moulken by Russian troops is a fitting answer to the challenging policy of the United States, and it shows the latter and also China that Russia will not be imposed upon. The Americans have declared some time ago that they would occupy Moulken and Antung with their troops; but Russia has forestalled the United States in regard to Moulken."

CRICKET.

In the match on the Cricket Ground to-morrow and Boxing Day between the H.K.C.C. and the United Services, the following will represent the United Services:—
Sub-Lieut. Barron, R.N., Mid. Campbell, R.N. Major Chichester, D.A.A.G., Sub-Lieut. Cornaby, Lieut. Heath 110th Mahr. L.L. Capt. Harris, R.M.A., Lieut. Hawkins, R.N., Mr. Horsey, R.N., Mid. Irwin, R.N., Lieut. Rimington, S.F., and Mr. Williams, R.N.

XMAS SHOPPING.

A walk down Queen's Road would convince the most casual observer that something is "in the wind." A glance in the shop windows will tell them what it is—that the "festive season" is once again upon us, and Christmas is coming. Perhaps only at this season of the year is the main thoroughfare so crowded with Europeans; and, by their busy, intense looks, they show that they are bearing the burden and responsibility of Christmas shopping, while the eyes of the children are all agog at the bewildering variety of toys set out in campaign upon their parents' paces. Dolls, rocking-horses, and toy guns and pistols are everywhere in evidence for the delectation of the little ones, while for the elders are to be seen books in great variety, cut-glass wares, choice brands of cigars, while the confections for the ladies pass all comprehension. Messrs. Watkins and Company are showing a very choice assortment of English cut-glass bottles, with dainty presentation boxes of perfumery by the best European makers, while their selection of chocolates in boxes of tempting shape and design would be hard to beat. Their line of wines and spirits is also the best procurable, while their prices are more than reasonable. Messrs. Watson's display of the season's delicacies, in the form of chocolates, bonbons, and crystallised sweets, together with the best brands of wines and spirits, and choice Manila cigars, is commanding great attention from the public. Messrs. Price and Co., Lane, Crawford and Co., Blackhead and Co., and Siemsen are all well to the fore with their superb lines of spirits and wines, and deliciously suitable to the season, while Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor's lines in champagne cannot be beaten.

Messrs. Chening Shing, the enterprising jewellers in Queen's Road, have a very excellent display of silver-backed hair-brushes and combs, photo-frames, belts, together with some very beautiful ghazal and engraved cups and punch-bowls. The Victoria Hair-dressing Saloon has a fine and choice display of toilet requisites together with all sorts of perfumery and toys. Messrs. Kelly and Walsh are well up to date with their unique assortment of Christmas stationery, books and cards, and are closely followed by Messrs. Brower & Co. in the same lines. Especially for the sterner sex are the more-solid showings of Ah-men and Hing Cheong and Tak Cheong and Co., who are offering everything a man or boy can want, from an aster to a gold tooth-pick. Some from a dressing-set to a gold tooth-pick. Some of these establishments are already displaying decorations in the form of evergreens and artificial flowers, while the flower-sellers, at the foot of Wyndham street, are doing an immense trade in the real article, and on all sides are signs that this is the season of peace and good-will, while the hotels are busy preparing food to gladden the hearts of the dwellers within their doors.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

THE CHILEAN BATTLESHIPS.

LONDON, 22nd December, 1.20 p.m.

3. RETAIN'S PROMPT ACTION.

It transpires that Russia offered cash down for the two battleships built for the Chilean Government, the *Constitution* and *Libertad*. Great Britain therefore stopped in and purchased them at once.

GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 22nd December, 1.20 p.m.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN NEW YORK.

A fire has occurred on the East side of New York, causing damage to the extent of half a million dollars.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE FAR EASTERN CRISIS.

LONDON, 21st December.

The papers generally recognise the gravity of the situation and the possibility of Great Britain becoming involved. The *Morning Post* says Great Britain ought to be ready for all eventualities. A Russo-Japanese war would involve Great Britain in serious responsibilities, to meet which preparation is needed.

LATER.

To-day's information from the Far East shows that the situation remains critical. Japan now proceeds to request a reconsideration of the Russian proposals, which if granted will be followed by further negotiations.

COMMODORE ROBINSON PROMOTED.

LONDON, 21st December.

Commodore Robinson, H. M. S. *Tamar*, has been promoted to the rank of Rear-Admiral.

CHINESE LABOUR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, 21st December.

At a mass meeting in Cape Town it was resolved to condemn energetically Chinese labour.

THE KAISER TALKING AGAIN.

LONDON, 21st December.

A speech by the Kaiser at a military celebration in Hanover, in which he declared that the Hanoverians and Blucher saved the English from destruction at Waterloo, has evoked great irritation in England.

THE ARTHUR HILL COMPANY.

Last night at the Theatre Royal, the above company gave their first performance before a large and appreciative audience. They have come down from Shanghai, and after a short season here will go on to India. Proceedings commenced with an overture, "The Pet of the Army" by Miss May McCrystal and orchestra. Mr. Kelly was the first "turn," and in addition to being a capable comedian, likewise proved himself possessed of an excellent voice, and the audience showed their hearty appreciation of his efforts. He was followed by Miss Leslie Norman, and in two expressive little songs, she completely justified all that has been said of her elsewhere. She has a powerful contralto voice, with a very extensive compass. Then Mr. Leonard Nelson, the "plain" comedian, took the boards, and speedily dispersed any of the finer sentiments which Miss Norman's songs might have inspired. His make-up and general style being quite up to high-class standard. Lazern the Mystic mystified the audience by some clever sleight-of-hand tricks. After the interval, another orchestral selection was given, and then Miss Maud Agnes appeared in a dainty little "coon" specialty "Work No More," which was well received. Then followed the "star" turn of the evening, Hill and Sylvian, in their performances on the bicycle and unicycle respectively. Their exhibition was truly unique, the manner in which they manipulated their machines being little short of marvellous. Their crowning act was the riding down a flight of stairs by Hill on his unicycle, while Sylvian balanced on his shoulders. This feat caused many of the onlookers to give vent to an involuntary sigh of relief when the last step was reached in safety. Messrs. Kelly and Agnes next indulged in several little comic sketches and funnies, as the programme styled them most appropriately, and songs by Mr. Nelson and some more sentimental by Miss Leslie Norman followed. The programme was brought to a conclusion by a sketch, "Fan in Shadowland," by the entire company, lasting about fifteen minutes, after which the audience dispersed, the universal opinion being that in the Hill Company of World's Entertainers the Colony will have a decided acquisition during the forthcoming festive season.

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

A meeting of the Legislative Council was held yesterday afternoon in the Council Chamber. Present:—

HIS EXCELLENCY THE OFFICER ADMINISTERING THE GOVERNMENT, F. H. MAY, C.M.G.

HIS EXCELLENCY Major-General VILLIERS HATTON, C.B.

Hon. A. M. THOMSON, (Acting Colonial Secretary).

Hon. Sir H. S. BERKELEY, (Attorney-General).

Hon. L. A. M. JOHNSTON, (Acting Colonial Treasurer).

Hon. W. CHATHAM, (Director of Public Works).

Hon. A. W. BREWIN, (Registrar-General).

Hon. Basil R. H. TAYLOR, (Acting Harbour Master).

Hon. Sir C. P. CHATNER, C.M.G.

Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G.

Hon. Wei A. YUK.

Hon. C. W. DICKSON.

Hon. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.

Hon. GERRARD STEWART.

Mr. R. F. JOHNSTON, (Acting Clerk of Council).

PLAQUE STAFF WORK.

The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table a paper showing the work done by the plaque staff from 22nd August till 6th November, 1903.

FINANCIAL.

The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY laid on the table Financial Minute No. 66 and moved that it be referred to the Finance Committee.

The ACTING COLONIAL TREASURER seconded, and the motion was adopted.

"EXTERNAL AIR."

The ACTING COLONIAL SECRETARY also submitted a statement showing the definition of "external air" recommended by the Sanitary Board. He said—This will obviate the necessity for the hon. member for the Chamber of Commerce putting his motion.

The definition was as follows:—

Section 6, Sub-section 26.—"External air" means the clear and unobstructed open air of:—
(1.) any street in front of an existing building which is not less than 8 feet in width throughout; (2.) any street in front of a building hereafter erected which is not less than 13 feet in width throughout; (3.) any open space in the rear of any building which is not less than 18 feet width throughout; (4.) any open space at the side of any existing building which either—(i.) extends continuously along the side of such building and has a continuous width of at least eight feet in every part; or else, (ii.) extends continuously along three-fifths of the side of such building and has a continuous width of at least twelve feet in every part of such three-fifths; any open space at the side of any building hereafter erected which extends continuously along three-fifths of the side of such building and has a continuous width of at least twelve feet in every part of such three-fifths. For the purpose of measuring the width of such street or space, a straight line shall be drawn from and at right angles to the external surface of the front back or side wall as the case may be, or, in the event of any structure projecting from such wall from and at right angles to the outermost portion of such projecting structure exclusive of any cornice or eaves gutters.

The motion of Hon. Mr. Pollock was as follows:—"That the Government do obtain from the Secretary of the Sanitary Board, and lay upon the table, for the information of the Legislative Council, the recommendation which was made by the majority of the Sanitary Board as to the definition of 'external air,' and the names of the members forming such majority."

Hon. Mr. POLLOCK—I had intended, sir, to address the Council upon this motion.

HIS EXCELLENCY—We will give you the privilege to do so.

Hon. Mr. POLLOCK—With your Excellency's permission I will make a few remarks explaining the reason why I made this motion. The reason was that the hon. and learned Attorney-General stated in the Public Health Amendment Bill and also, if correctly reported in the newspapers, on the second reading on 7th December that this definition of external air contained in the Public Health Amendment Bill was in substance the definition recommended by the Sanitary Board. I am quite sure that the hon. and learned member made the statement in good faith, but he made it under an erroneous impression, and what I say is that the hon. Director of Public Works, who is a member of the Sanitary Board and who was present at many deliberations of the Sanitary Board at which after great difficulty and after spending some hours upon the subject, the definition of external air was arrived at and agreed to by a majority of the Sanitary Board—what I complain of, sir, is that the Director of Public Works did not get up in his place and remove the misapprehension that must have been caused in the mind of the members of this Council by the statement made by the Attorney-General. As I said just now, sir, this question of external air formed the subject of very anxious deliberation at many meetings of the Sanitary Board. It was a very difficult point indeed for the members to define. Ultimately, indeed, after the subject had been considered at two or three different meetings the sub-committee of the Sanitary Board arrived at its definition of external air and it was then submitted in due course to the full body of the Sanitary Board. Then, sir, at that meeting of the full body of the Sanitary Board a definition of external air was passed which is a solitary and entire

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NOTICE

MEMBERS are reminded that Nominations for the Hongkong Derby to be run on TUESDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1904, close to the undersigned at the Hongkong Club House on SATURDAY, 25th DECEMBER, instant.

By Order, **T. F. HOUGH,** Clerk of the Course. [3541]

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903.

THE FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.

IT is hereby notified that FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transference of Public Business TO-MORROW (FRIDAY) and SATURDAY, the 25th and 26th instant, respectively.

By Order, **A. R. LOWE,** Secretary. [3545]

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Between **THE KIN TAI LOONG FIRM** Plaintiffs,

and **HON SUI SHANG and LEONG YUEK KI** Defendants.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a writ of Habeas Corpus returnable on the 11th JANUARY, 1904, against all the above-named Defendants has been issued in this Action pursuant to Section 43 of the Hongkong Code of Civil Procedure.

Dated this 23rd day of December, 1903.

DEACON & HASTINGS, Solicitors for the Plaintiffs. [3546]

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

SUNDAY EXCURSION TO MACAO.

THE Steamer "HONGKONG" (weather permitting) will sail daily at 10 a.m. on SUNDAY, the 27th instant, leaving Hongkong at 9 a.m. and Macao at 9 p.m.

Return Fare ... \$5 Cabins ... \$5 extra

Tickets obtainable on board the Steamer.

By Order of the Board of Directors, **T. R. ALD,** Secretary. [3542]

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903.

GRAND CHARITABLE BAZAAR

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SATURDAY and SUNDAY, the 26th and 27th DECEMBER, 1903.

to be held at the **PUBLIC GARDENS, SAN FRANCISCO (PRAIA GRANDE).**

Admission free, from 2 to 5 p.m.

Tickets of admission for the evening, with the right to a souvenir ... \$1.00

Tickets of admission without souvenir ... 0.25

Do. for children ... 0.10

Tickets on sale at the hotels, on board steamers and at the Public Gardens gate.

Ma no. 24th December ... 3 [3543]

ALTERATION.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship "HAILOONG,"

Captain Evans, will be despatched for the above port TO-DAY, the 24th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **DOUGLAS LA FRANK & CO.,** General Managers.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [3537]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship "POLYNESIE,"

Captain Le Caispiller, will be despatched for the above ports on or about WEDNESDAY, the 30th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to **G. DE CHAMPEAUX,** Agent.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [3542]

FOR ODESSA VIA BOMBAY.

THE Russian Steamer

"HERMANN LERCHER,"

will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 15th January.

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [3538]

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THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE 1893.

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that **J. & P. COATS LTD.**, carrying on business at Ferguslie Thread Works, Paisley, in the County of Renfrew in Great Britain called Scotland as Yarn Thread and Sewing Cotton Manufacturers have, on the 3rd day of November, 1903, applied for the registration in the Register of TRADE MARKS of the following TRADE MARK.

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The TRADE MARK is intended to be used by the applicants forthwith in respect of the following goods:

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Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [3489]

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. [3518]

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REFERRING to the notice of the 28th September last, the tenders of telegrams are hereby advised that, from the 1st of JANUARY next, the charges for telegrams will be subject to revision after three months, to be collected at the rate of FORTY-FOUR CENTS to equal One Pound.

J. M. BECK, Superintendent. [3507]

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1903. [3531]

ZETLAND LODGE No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on MONDAY, the 28th instant, at 5.30 for 6 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

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Hongkong, 3rd November, 1903. [3513]

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Meals can be had on board as usual.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. [3522]

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY EXCURSIONS TO MACAO.

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Hongkong, 17th December, 1903. [3475]

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1903. [3245]

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SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that in accordance with the Special Resolutions passed on 31st October, and confirmed on 18th November, 1903, they are entitled on application to an allotment of one share for every two old shares held by them. Forms of application will be sent to every shareholder.

The sum of \$2.50 per share will be payable on application, on or before the 4th of January, 1904. Two months' notice of any calls will be given.

Shareholders desirous of paying on or before the 4th January, 1904, the whole amount payable in respect of their shares, can do so, and in such event will receive fully paid up scrip in exchange.

The new issue will rank for Dividend pro rata from 1st January, 1904, according to the amount paid on such shares on 4th January, 1904.

The Register of Shares will be closed from 17th December, 1903, to 4th January, 1904, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers, Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [3317]

THE CANTON-HONGKONG ICE AND COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STATUTORY MEETING of the above Company will be held at the REGISTERED OFFICE of the Company, 31, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 7th day of JANUARY, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon.

CHAN A TAI, Secretary, Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [3501]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the NAVAL AUTHORITIES that the ranging of torpedoes at the Victoria Sub Depot at Kowloon will commence TO-DAY (TUESDAY), the 23rd DECEMBER, 1903, from 7.30 A.M. to Noon, and from 1.30 P.M. to 4.30 P.M. until further notice.

By Command, **A. M. THOMSON,** Acting Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [3508]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that the GUN PRACTICE will take place from Stonecutter Island (West and East Batteries) in a South-Westerly direction at ranges from 600 to 4,000 yards, on the 1st JANUARY, 1904.

If the weather is unfavourable on this date, practice will take place on the 2nd of JANUARY.

Practice will commence at 9 A.M. and end about 11 A.M. if the range is clear.

By Command, **A. M. THOMSON,** Acting Colonial Secretary, Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [3520]

OWNERS OF HOUSES situated in the Western Division of the City of Victoria who have not had their premises LIMED, WASHED and CLEARED in accordance with law are reminded that the period during which this work should be finished ends on the 31st day of DECEMBER, 1903, and the Sanitary Board being convinced of the necessity of cleanliness, in its efforts to Stamp out Plague, is determined to rigorously prosecute any owner in default after the above named date.

By Order of the Board, **G. A. WOODCOCK,** Secretary, Sanitary Board Office, 1st December, 1903.

Note—The Western Division of the City lies to the West Tank Lane and Cleverly Street.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1903. [3309]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JOAQUIM SANCHES GARCIA late of the Portuguese Colony of Macao Merchant deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 3 of 1897, made an Order limiting to the 23rd day of DECEMBER, 1904, for sending in Claims against the above estate.

All Creditors are hereby required to send their Claims to the undersigned before the said date.

Dated this 23rd day of November, 1903.

A. SETH, Official Administrator. [3234]

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Hongkong, 3rd August, 1903. [2185]

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Hongkong, 23rd September, 1903. [217]

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Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. [1898]

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Hongkong, 26th November, 1903. [2160]

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Hongkong, 21st April, 1907. [1113]

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Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [3170]

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TELEPHONE, 232.
Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [3503]

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Hongkong, 6th October, 1903. [27]

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1903. [3402]

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

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REFERRING to the notice of 20th December, 1902, and subsequent notices, senders of telegrams are hereby advised that from 1st JANUARY, 1904, the currency equivalent of the Pence will, subject to revision after three months, be fixed at 90.44, at which rate the charge for all telegrams will be collected from the said date.

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To Europe... £2.45

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Now complete List will be distributed as soon as it is ready. In the meantime any further information may be obtained by applying to the Company's Office.

OLAF NIELSEN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [350]

WORK OF THE PLAGUE STAFF.

A paper was laid before the Legislative Council yesterday dealing with the work of the plague staff from 22nd August to 6th November, 1903. It was to the following effect:—

HEALTH DISTRICTS I & II.—Staff.—1 inspector, 2 foremen, 2 rat-collecting coolies, 4 case-removing coolies. One foreman assists the Inspector in his general duties, which have been made up of the following items:—

Inspection of houses for rat-runs, defective ground surfaces, &c. 647 visits.
Removal of sick and dead... 39
Service of notices... 289
Disinfections... 2
Prosecutions... 2
Miscellaneous... 47
1,006

The other foreman supervises the two rat-collecting coolies who visit 240 sites of rat-traps per day and change 50 traps per day. The case-removing coolies have removed to the Mortuary 25 dead bodies and to the Hospital 1 sick person during this time.

HEALTH DISTRICTS III & IV.—Staff.—1 inspector, 2 foremen, 2 rat-collecting coolies. Work done by the inspector with the assistance of one foreman:—

Visits re rat-runs, defective concrete, etc. 798
Visits to houses where there are dead bodies... 13
Service of notices... 315
Disinfections... 5
Miscellaneous... 16
1,147

The rat-collecting coolies' work and that of one foreman has been similar to that done in Health Districts I & II.

HEALTH DISTRICTS V & VI.—Staff as in Health Districts III & IV.—Work done by Inspector with one foreman:—

Visits re rat-runs and defective ground surfaces... 753
Visits re dead bodies... 7
Service of notices... 277
Disinfections... 2
Miscellaneous... 11
1,550

The duties of the remaining foreman and the rat-collecting coolies have been the same as in the previously mentioned districts.

HEALTH DISTRICTS VII & VIII.—Staff.—1 inspector for the two districts, also 2 foremen and 2 rat-collecting coolies, 1 temporary inspector at the Disinfecting Station, 1 clerk for Disinfecting Station, 1 temporary foreman for removal of sick, 17 artisans, 29 coolies, 5 foremen, 16 temporary case-removing coolies.—The work done by the Inspector with the assistance of one foreman comprises the following items:—

Service of notices... 270
Visits re rat-runs, defective concrete, etc. 862
Visits re lime-washing of godowns... 85
Miscellaneous inspections... 48
1,265

The Temporary Inspector is employed the whole day at the Disinfecting Station, there being no permanent Inspector now in charge there since the departure of Inspector Allen on leave. The Clerk's time is taken up in attending to the telephones and in helping to keep registers. The temporary foreman for the removal of cases has superintended the removal of 7 patients to hospital in Districts 3 to 10.

When not employed in the work he has to superintend the work which the coolies do in the up-keep of the apparatus. The 16 case-removing coolies are divided as follows:—8 allotted to the Tung Wah Hospital for removing cases to hospital; and bodies to the Mortuary from the hospital, 4 removing bodies and cases from the Districts 3-11 to the Mortuary, and 4 visit the Italian Convent daily to remove bodies. These men also assist in conveying clothing to the Disinfecting Station and clean all ambulances and dead cars after use. They have removed 5 bodies from the Tung Wah Hospital, 7 from the districts and 16 from the Convent during this period. Seven sick persons also have been removed to hospital by them.

HEALTH DISTRICTS IX & X.—Staff. 1 inspector, 2 foremen, 2 rat-coolies, 6 boatmen. Work done by Inspector and one foreman:—

Disinfections... 2
Visit re rat-runs and defective concrete, etc. 501
Service of notices (rats) (concrete) 149
Inspections of dead bodies... 16
Visits to tanks and bath-houses in His Excellency's block, daily and Miscellaneous Visits... 393
1,047

The inspection and cleansing of the boats is also supervised by the inspector. The other foreman and the rat-coolies do the same work as in other districts. The 6 boatmen—3 to each boat—remove bodies to the Plague Cemetery and store and clothing to and from the Disinfecting Station and Kowloon.

HEALTH DISTRICTS XI & XII.—Staff. 1 inspector, 2 foremen, 3 rat-coolies, 3 artisans, 1 Chinese foreman, 11 Chinese coolies. The work done by the Inspector with one of his foremen comprises:—

Visits re rat-runs and defective concrete, etc. 744
Disinfections... 9
Service of notices... 169
Examination of dead bodies... 90
Removal of sick and dead... 9
1,021

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In addition the inspector attends the Mortuary daily and superintends its cleansing and that of the stores and quarters at Kowloon. One foreman and the 3 rat-coolies have been employed daily as already mentioned. The 3 artisans, 11 coolies and 1 foreman have had 9 disinfections to carry out and in addition have had to supply the labour for removing bodies to and from the Mortuary, the sick to hospital, the cleansing of the Mortuary daily, and the quarters and store-rooms at Kowloon.

GENERAL STATEMENT OF WORK DONE FROM NOVEMBER 6 TILL DECEMBER 1.

This work has been similar in character to that mentioned before, but in addition the plague inspectors have supervised the general cleansing of the floors in Victoria and Kowloon, while the staff of coolies has been chiefly employed in the distribution of soap solution to the people, cleansing empty floors and looking after the water-tanks and boilers used in connection with the cleansing. The work of the artisans during this time has been of the same character as has been recorded before. The following table shows the number of visits paid by the inspectors and the number of floors which have been cleansed under their supervision in Victoria and Kowloon:—

Visits of inspection for rat-runs and defective ground surfaces... 512
Services of local notices... 463
Inspection of dead bodies... 37
Disinfections... 2
Removal of sick and dead... 10
Inspections of houses cleaned by the people under the general cleansing scheme... 7,458
Total... 8,782

HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING.

The nineteenth ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the above Company was held at the registered offices of the Company, 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central, at noon yesterday, for the purpose of receiving the report of the general managers together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 30th November, 1903. Those present were Mr. Hart Buck (chairman) and Messrs. Henry Humphreys, C. E. E. A. H. Muncall, G. Murray Bain, R. K. Leigh, W. H. Gaskell, J. A. Tarrant, J. M. Wong, and J. L. Cotter (secretary).

The CHAIRMAN:—Gentlemen, As you have doubtless seen the report and statement of accounts, I will with your permission consider them as read. I am pleased to say that our business during the last financial year has been as good as before and that we are in a position to pay an increased dividend. The improvements to the Station at the Upper Terminus have been completed and have given general satisfaction. As you are of course aware, our capital, \$125,000, does not in any way represent the value of our property; in fact if at the present time we were to construct a similar line with the same kind of buildings at the various stations, I think we should require a capital of at least \$500,000, which would naturally reduce our present substantial dividend to a comparatively insignificant one. I might add that in view of the fact that almost all the building sites in the Peak district are now built upon we must look to the visitors passing through the Colony for any future improvement in our returns. Before moving the adoption of the report and statement of accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved that the report and statement of accounts be adopted.

Mr. G. MURRAY BAIN:—Gentlemen, I have great pleasure in seconding that the report and accounts be adopted. I think shareholders will agree that the company is in a most satisfactory condition, financially and otherwise. The general managers deserve the greatest praise for the way in which they have managed the working of the business during the year.

Mr. Henry Humphreys proposed, Mr. A. H. Muncall seconded, and it was agreed that Mr. C. E. E. A. H. Muncall, Mr. W. H. Gaskell, and Mr. R. K. Leigh be re-elected members of the consulting committee.

The Chairman proposed, Mr. R. K. Leigh seconded, and it was agreed that Mr. Pott and Mr. Gaskell be re-elected auditors for the ensuing year.

The CHAIRMAN:—That concludes the business of the meeting. Dividend warrants will be ready at 3 o'clock to-day. I thank you for your attendance, gentlemen.

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K. UYEMURA, Manager

Hongkong, 4th March, 1903.

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JAPAN



COALS.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS	
Dec. 22, HUNAN, British str., 1,143, W. Fraser, Wuhan 17th Dec. and Chinkiang 18th, Rice.	
— BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.	
Dec. 23, CHIVUN, Chinese str., from Canton.	
Dec. 23, CLAM, British str., 2,311, J. Evans, Babel Pagan 11th Dec., Liquid and Fuel.	
— CHONG.	
Dec. 23, HAILONG, British str., 783, Evans, Swatow 22nd Dec., General.—DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.	
Dec. 23, MANILA, British str., 2,711, H. G. H. Lowell, from Yokohama, General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Dec. 23, MICHAEL JENSEN, German str., 710, A. P. Uldner, Haiphong 19th Dec., Rice.—JENSEN & Co.	
Dec. 23, NAMBAU, British str., 2,501, F. Wheeler, Singapore 15th Dec., Penang 11th and Calcutta 6th, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	
Dec. 23, TAILIE, German str., 1,306, Michaels, Delhi via Hongkong 10th December, Coal.—MEYER & Co.	
Dec. 23, TINTAU, German str., 1,002, O. Koch, Bangkok via Swatow 12th Dec., Rice and Wood.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.	
Dec. 23, TANSUI, British str., from Canton.	
Dec. 23, TIENTSIN, British str., from Canton.	
Dec. 23, YAMAYAMA MARU, Japanese str., 1,353, Yamamoto, Moji 12th December, Coal.—DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	

CLEANANCES

AT THE HAMBURG MASTER'S OFFICE, 23rd December.

M. Struve, German str., for Haiphong.

Radnorshire, British str., for Shanghai.

Tamsui, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES

23rd December.

ARAGONIA, German str., for Hamburg.

AUTRALIAN, British str., for Shanghai.

CHINA, Austrian str., for Trieste.

HAIMON, Norwegian str., for Singapore.

HUE, French str., for Haiphong.

KONG ALBERT, German str., for Cuba.

MAHARAJA, British str., for Amoy.

SINGAPORE, British str., for Amoy.

TRIUMPH, German str., for Haiphong.

THOUS, British str., for Shanghai.

VESSELS IN DOCK

23rd December.

ABERNETHY DOCKS.—

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For Freight, apply to Company's Offices, No. 20, Des Vaux Road.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th Dec. mber, 1903. [3450]

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Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [5]

THE AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR NEW YORK VIA THE SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"HIMERA," Captain Lookhart,

will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 28th DECEMBER.

For Freight, etc., apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [3319]

"SHIRE" LINE STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"FLINTSHIRE,"

Captain J. M. Hall, will be despatched for the above ports on or about MONDAY, the 28th inst.

FOR LONDON, HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"DENBIGHSHIRE,"

Captain W. A. Evans, will be despatched for the above ports on or about FRIDAY, the 15th January, to be followed by the steamship "RADNORSHIRE."

Captain C. H. Birch, on or about SATURDAY, the 30th, January.

These steamers have superior accommodation for passengers.

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Hongkong, 23rd December, 1903. [3592]

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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, &c.	MANILA	Brit. str.	H.G.H. Lowell	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-day, at Noon.
LONDON & HAMBURG	FLINTSHIRE	Brit. str.	J. M. Hall	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	About 28th inst.
LONDON, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	CLYDE	Brit. str.	F. H. Summers	P. & O. S. N. Co.	2nd Jan., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	NESTOR	Brit. str.	Holmes	McGREGOR BROS. & GOW	9th Jan.
LONDON & ANTWERP	KENTUCK	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	2nd Feb.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MOYNE	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	16th Feb.
LIVERPOOL, with T. MENT at SINGAPORE	YANGTZE	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st Mar.
MARSEILLES, LONDON &c., v. STORE, &c.	NINGO MARU	Jap. str.	F. Davies	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	18th inst., D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SALAZAR	Brit. str.	Negro	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	24th inst., at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DARDANUS	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th Jan.
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL	YANGTZE	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th Jan.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	KIAUTSCHOU	Ger. str.	Behrens	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	6th Jan., at Noon.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG	NURNBERG	Ger. str.	Jahrg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	30th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	AMERICA	Ger. str.	v. Binzer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	15th Jan.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	WILHELM	Ger. str.	Schoenfeldt	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	28th Jan.
ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG	KEMUN	Ger. str.	Doimat	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	6th Feb.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	SAVOIA	Ger. str.	Doimat	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	15th Feb.
ODDESSA via BOMBAY	VINDOBONA	Aus. str.	Cobol	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	10th Jan.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	H. LEBICHE	Rus. str.		SANDER, WIEBER & CO.	14th Jan., P.M.
NEW YORK, via SUEZ	L. CASTLE	Brit. str.		BRADLEY & CO.	About 15th Jan.
NEW YORK, via SUEZ	HIMERA	Brit. str.	Lookhart	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	About 24th inst.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	NUBIA	Ger. str.	von Hoff	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	Quick despatch.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	E. OF CHINA	Brit. str.		CHINA COM. S.S. CO.	13th Jan.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via JAPAN	ATHENS	Brit. str.	C. V. Williams	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	27th Jan.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	LYRA	Brit. str.	N. Ohno	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	20th Jan.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, &c.	TYNDUS	Brit. str.	W. E. Craven	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	29th inst., at 4 P.M.
PORTLAND, OREGON	INDRASAMHA	Brit. str.		BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	A. E. Moses	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	To-day.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	E. G. Andrews	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	30th inst.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	PALEMO	Jap. str.	W. S. Hunter	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	30th inst., at 4 P.M.
MOJI, KOBE, YAMA, &c., & SAN FRANCISCO	KAGOSHIMA MARU	Jap. str.	K. Kori	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	1st Jan.
SHANGHAI	CLAVERING	Brit. str.	Barton	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIOGO & YOKOHAMA	KAGOSHIMA M.	Jap. str.	K. Kori	CHINA COM. S.S. CO.	To-morrow, Noon.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	HANSHU	Ger. str.	H. Forster	MELCHERS & CO.	Quick despatch.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	POLYNESIA	Brit. str.	W. H. S. Hall	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 28th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	BYNGAL	Brit. str.	Le Coisgallier	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 30th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TIENTSIN	Brit. str.	G. Phillips	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 2nd Jan.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW & AMOY	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	I. Goto	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
TAMUI, via SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJI MARU	Jap. str.	T. Ogata	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	27th inst.
ANPING, via SWATOW & AMOY	MAIDZURU MARU	Jap. str.	T. Saito	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	28th inst.
SWATOW	HAIGONG	Brit. str.	Evans	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day.
MANILA DIRECT	ROSETTA	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	DOUGLAS LAURIE & CO.	To-day, at 4 P.M.
MANILA DIRECT	ROSETTA MARU	Brit. str.	H. S. Smith	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	26th inst., 10 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	YAWATA	Brit. str.	R. Rodger	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	28th inst., 11 A.M.
MANILA DIRECT	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.	30th inst.
KUDAT & SANDAKAN	BORNEO	Ger. str.	Mable	DODWELL & CO., LTD.	2nd Jan., 10 A.M.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY	TIENTSIN	Brit. str.	H. W. Konrad	MELCHERS & CO.	About 28th Jan.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	HIROSHIMA M.	Jap. str.	J. Nagao	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS—PORTS FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS.

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 29th December, 1903, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship, "SALAZAR," Captain Negro, with Mails, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 28th December. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1903. [3]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

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Captain F. R. Summers, carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Port for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 2nd JANUARY, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

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Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to E. A. LEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. [1]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR KUDAT AND SANDAKAN.

Taking Cargo at Through Rates to TAWAU, LAHAD DATU AND LABUAN.

THE Company's Steamship

"BORNEO,"

Captain Mullis, will be ready to load for the above ports on the 23rd instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MELCHERS & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd December, 1903. [3529]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Underigned GENERAL AGENTS

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For Freight and further particulars, apply to DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

J. TREVOUX & CO., No. 125, Connaught Road Central, Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. [1751]



OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS LEAVING

TAMUI, via SWATOW "DAIJI MARU" TUESDAY, 29th December.

TAMUI, via SWATOW "DAIGI MARU" TUESDAY, 5th January.

FOOCHOW, via SWATOW "ANPING MARU" SUNDAY, 27th December.

ANPING, via SWATOW "MAIDZURU MARU" SUNDAY, 3rd January.

The Co.'s new Steamers are specially designed for the coast trade of South China and Formosa, and are fitted with all modern improvements. Excellent accommodation is provided for first class passengers, and a duly qualified doctor is on board.

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. T. ARIMA, Manager [15]

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHANGHAI INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON

"INDRA SAMHA" 5,197 W. E. Craven December 24, 1903

"INDRA VELLI" 4,899 R. P. Craven January 14, 1904

"INDRAPURA" 4,899 A. E. Hollingsworth February 13, 1904

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [14]

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LONDON, Oporto, London, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRIERSTE, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS DESTINATIONS SAILING DATES

NURNBERG (Calling at Singapore and Penang) On 30th Dec. Freight.

SAVOIR (Calling at Singapore) On 10th Jan. Freight & Passengers

AMERICA (Calling at Singapore and Colombo) On 15th Jan. Freight.

WURZBURG (Calling at Singapore and Hamburg) On 23rd Jan. Freight & Passengers.

ALBIA (Calling at Singapore and Penang) On 6th Feb. Freight

NUBIA (Calling at Singapore and Colombo) On 6th Feb. Freight

Capt. von Hoff NEW YORK, via SUEZ About end of December, or beginning of January.

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Steamship Captain Tons Sailing Date

"ROSETTA MARU" H. S. Smith 3876 Tuesday, 29th December, at 11 A.M.

"ROHILLA MARU" Ernest Bent 3969 Saturday, 2nd January, at 11 A.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply at the Company's Office, 8, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. K. NAKASHIMA, Manager [478]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
* KIAUTSCHOU	WEDNESDAY 6th January
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY 20th January
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 3rd February
GEA	WEDNESDAY 17th February
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY 2nd March
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 16th March
ROON	WEDNESDAY 30th March
* EMBURG	WEDNESDAY 13th April
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 27th April

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 6th day of JANUARY, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship "KIAUTSCHOU," of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Captain Behrens, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES, PENANG, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, HAMBURG.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon on MONDAY, the 4th January. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on TUESDAY, the 5th January, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 5th January.

Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewards.

Linen can be washed on board.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1903. [5]

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ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila direct.	Sat., 2nd Jan., 10 A.M.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Netley		

For Freight, or Passage apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. [17]

NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

NORTHERN PACIFIC S. CO. BOSTON S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO. CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR VICTORIA B.C. AND TACOMA VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Sailing Date
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	Wednesday, January 20th
OLYMPIA	2,837	A. Dixon	Thursday, February 11th
SHAWMUT	9,606	W. M. Smith	Friday, February 19th
TACOMA	2,812	M. Ridley	Friday, February 28th
VICTORIA	3,502	J. Truebridge	Wednesday, March 18th

* Have no second class accommodation. † Cargo only.

FOR MANILA.

The largest, steadiest, and most comfortable steamers for Manila.

S.S. SHAWMUT.....9,606 tons.....W. M. Smith.....About 28th January.

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QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. [7]

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(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

STEAMERS	DESTINATIONS	SAILING DATES
KAGOSHIMA MARU	MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 25th Dec., at Noon.
K. Kori	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID	SATURDAY, 26th Dec., at DAYLIGHT.
BINGO MARU	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 29th Dec., at Noon.
F. Davies	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, U.S.A. via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 29th Dec., at 4 P.M.
HIROSHIMA MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec., at Noon.
KAGA MARU	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec., at 4 P.M.
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A. S. MIHARA, Manager. [9]

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FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PYREHUS"	On 27th December.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"NESTOR"	On 1st January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 8th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"KINTUCK"	On 14th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 22nd January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	On 28th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 3rd February.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DARDANUS"	On 5th January.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP	"YANGTSE"	On 19th January.
LIVERPOOL, with TRANS- SHIPMENTS ASINGAPORE	"YANGTSE"	On 19th January.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"NESTOR"	On 2nd February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"KEEMUN"	On 15th February.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 16th February.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TYDEUS"	On 29th December.
	"PINGSUEY"	On 24th January.

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Hongkong, 24th December, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"TIENTSIN"	On 24th December.
SWATOW and SHANGHAI	"NANCHANG"	On 24th December.
SHANGHAI	"HANYANG"	On 30th December.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"CHINGTU"	On 30th December.
Kobe	"TAIYUAN"	On 1st January.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).	DATE
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R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA"	WEDNESDAY, 10th Feb.
R.M.S. "TARTAR"	WEDNESDAY, 24th Feb.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	WEDNESDAY, 9th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA"	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA"	WEDNESDAY, 20th April
R.M.S. "ATHENIAN"	WEDNESDAY, 27th April
R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.

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SHANGHAI and KOBE	MARAGON W. H. S. Hall	About 28th December	Freight only.
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.	DATE
"LOWTHER CASTLE"	About 24th Dec.
"SIKH"	12th Jan.
"SAGAMI"	25th Jan.
"AFRIDI"	9th Feb.

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Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. 15

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The Steamers run an Excursion Trip Every
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Hongkong 8th September, 1903. 181

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FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
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vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each
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and delivery can be obtained as soon as the
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This Vessel brings on Cargo—
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Optional Goods will be landed here unless
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5 P.M. TO-DAY, the 18th inst.

Goods not cleared by the 25th inst., at 4 P.M.,
will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the God-
downs for examination by the Consignee's and
the Company's representative at an appointed
hour. All Claims must be presented within
ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be recognised. No
Claims will be admitted after the Goods have
left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th December, 1903. 1

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, LONDON
AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"

Captain C. H. Burch, having arrived from the
above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
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have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
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to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to
be left in the Godowns, where they will be
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Hongkong, 21st December, 1903. 13513

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The Post Office will be closed on Christmas Day, the 25th and Boxing Day, the 26th inst. There will be one delivery each day and a collection from the pillar boxes as on Sundays, all outgoing mails will be closed at 9 a.m.

On Friday, the 1st prox., the Post Office will be open from 8 till 9 a.m. and on the arrival of the English Mail for one hour.

On Saturday, the 2nd prox., the Post Office will be open until 10 a.m. for the dispatch of the English Mail to Europe.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed.

The Baggage with the German Mail left Singapore on Friday, the 18th inst., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The Polynesia, with the French Mail of 27th ult. left Singapore on Wednesday, the 2nd inst., at 8 a.m. and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 30th inst. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 23rd October.

The American Mail per S. Korea will be closed to-day, at 5 p.m.

The American Mail per the above will be closed on Saturday, the 26th inst., at 9 a.m.

A supplementary mail per the above will be closed on Saturday, the 26th inst., at 9 a.m.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

FOR	PER	DATE
Canton	Falshun	Thursday, 24th, 7.30 A.M.
Hankow	M. Struan	Thursday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Straits and Bangkok	Loahok	Thursday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Ningbo and Shanghai	Bia Thuan	Thursday, 24th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila	Loahok	Thursday, 24th, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Loahok	Thursday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Saitama and San Francisco	Claverling	Thursday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Kongmoon, Kanchuk and Samahni	Sze Yip	Thursday, 24th, 3.00 P.M.
Swatow	Hailong	Thursday, 24th, 4.00 P.M.
Ningbo and Shanghai	Yuanbin	Thursday, 24th, 4.00 P.M.
Swatow and Shanghai	Nanchang	Thursday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Hanyang	Thursday, 24th, 5.00 P.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KORE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO	Korat	Friday, 25th, 7.30 A.M.
(Supplementary mail will be closed in the General Post Office on Saturday, the 26th inst., at 9 a.m.)		
Nantao	Hai Fe	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Sanchee	Wanchai	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Pusan	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Canton		
Canton	Honam	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Canton	Kinsan	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Canton	Hwangshan	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Hongkong	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Bangkok	Tai Chuan	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Nantao	Hai Fe	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Sanchee	Wanchai	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Manila	Pusan	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Kongmoon, Kanchuk and Samahni	Yikang	Friday, 25th, 9.00 A.M.
Chinkiang		

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.—		
Telegraphic Transfer	.....	181
Bank Bills, on demand	.....	99
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	.....	86
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	.....	84
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight	.....	182
Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight, 0/4	.....	9 1/4
ON PARIS.—		
Bank Bills, on demand	.....	213 1/2
Credit, at 4 months' sight	.....	219
ON BRUSSELS.—		
On demand	.....	175
ON NEW YORK.—		
Bank Bills, on demand	.....	41 1/2
Credit, 60 days' sight	.....	42 1/2
ON BOMBAY.—		
Telegraphic Transfer	.....	127
Bank, on demand	.....	127 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—		
Telegraphic Transfer	.....	127
Bank, on demand	.....	127 1/2
ON BANGALORE.—		
Bank, at sight	.....	71 1/2
Private, 30 days' sight	.....	72
Private, 60 days' sight	.....	83 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—		
On demand	.....	Nominal
ON SINGAPORE.—		
On demand	.....	Nominal
On B. of Ind.	.....	103 1/2
On H. of Ind.	.....	11 p.c. pm.
On S. of Ind.	.....	1 p.c. pm.
On B. of Ind.	.....	63
SOVEREIGNS.—		
Bank's Buying Rate	.....	£11.70
Gold Liver, 100 fine, per ton	.....	£1.50
SAR SILVER, per oz.	.....	25 1/2
OPIUM.		
		23rd December.
Quotations are:—		
Mulwa New	.....	£9 1/2 to £9.50 per picul
Mulwa Old	.....	to £10.20 "
Mulwa Older	.....	to £10.60 "
Mulwa V. Old	.....	to £11.00 "
Porton fine quality	.....	8 1/2 to — "
Porton extra fine	.....	8.20 to — "
Patna New	.....	£12.05 to — per picul
Patna Old	.....	to — "
Benares New	.....	£12.05 to — "
Benares Old	.....	to — "